

Orangeville Community Grants Program

REPORT of RECOMMENDATIONS
May 12, 2025



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Orangeville Community Grants Program

- Introduction and background
- Thank you to Town Council and Staff
- Thank you to the Assessment Team
- BIG THANKS to all the applicants!
So many amazing organizations doing important work for the citizens of Orangeville.



Who is HCIA?

Headwaters Communities In Action

- Registered charity and community backbone organization since 2004
- Projects serve a long-term vision of community well-being
- Research, education, engagement and action on community priorities
- Collaboration, connection and community conversations

Our vision: People coming together to shape a thriving community



2025 Timeline

1. APPLICATION INTAKE

- Feb 1 - March 31, 2025

2. ASSESSMENT + REPORT

- Scoring April 8 - 26
- Report submitted to Council May 1

3. COUNCIL DECISION

- Council meeting May 12
- Funds disbursed early June

4. SHARE STORIES

- Fall 2025

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HCIA and Town staff discuss process, timeline and updates.

Town launches program, receives and forwards applications to HCIA.

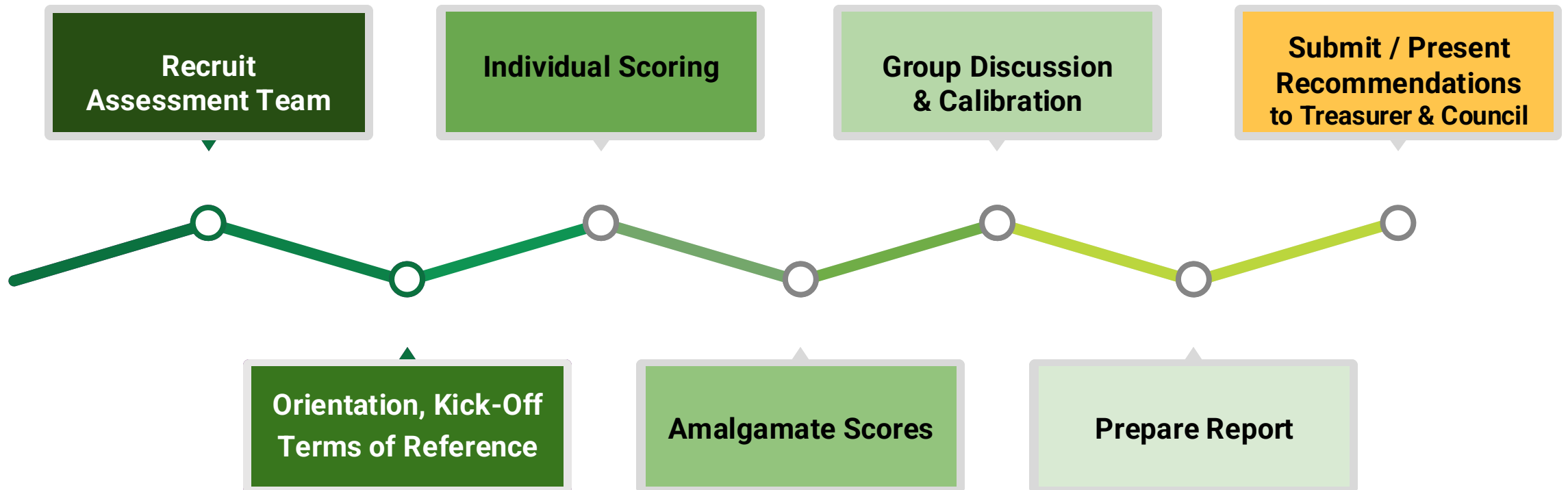
HCIA convenes the Assessment Team, who score separately, then calibrate together.

Report is prepared showing process and rationale.

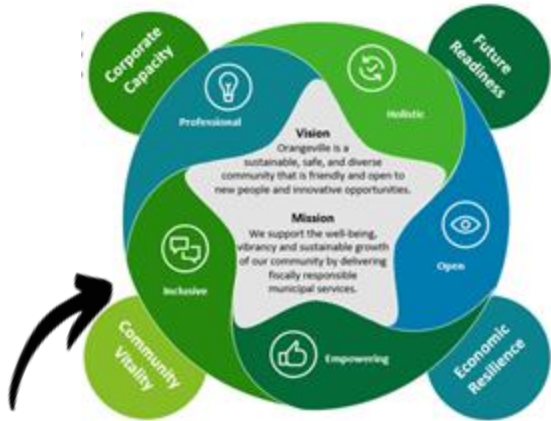
Report is presented for Council's final decision. Grant funds are distributed.

Reporting/ story requirements determined and collected by staff

HCIA Assessment Team Process



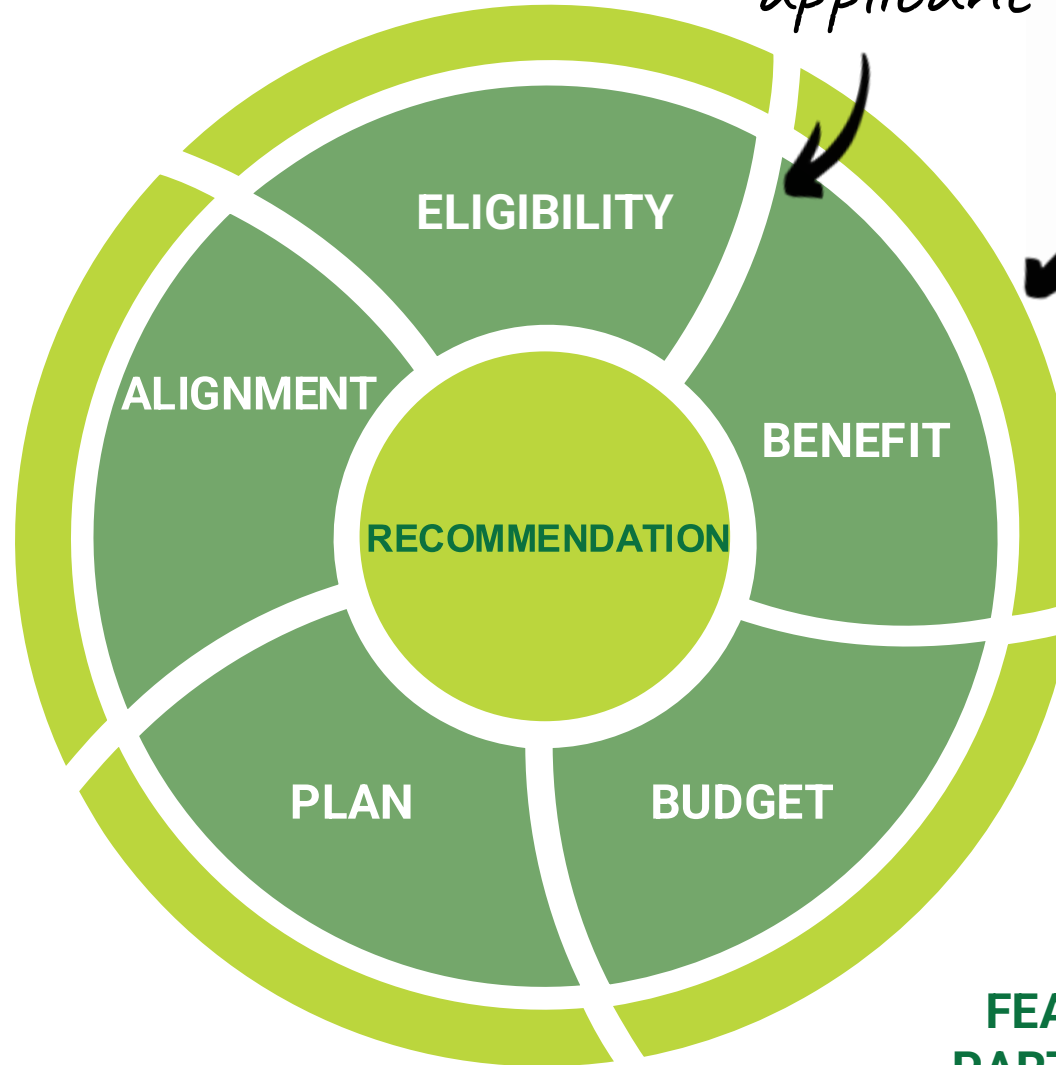
MIX OF PROJECT TYPES AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



Town strategic plan

COMPARATIVE QUALITY

FUNDS AVAILABLE



applicant can influence

*context +
other factors*

HEAD / HEART / HANDS AND CALIBRATION

ORGANIZATIONAL CREDIBILITY

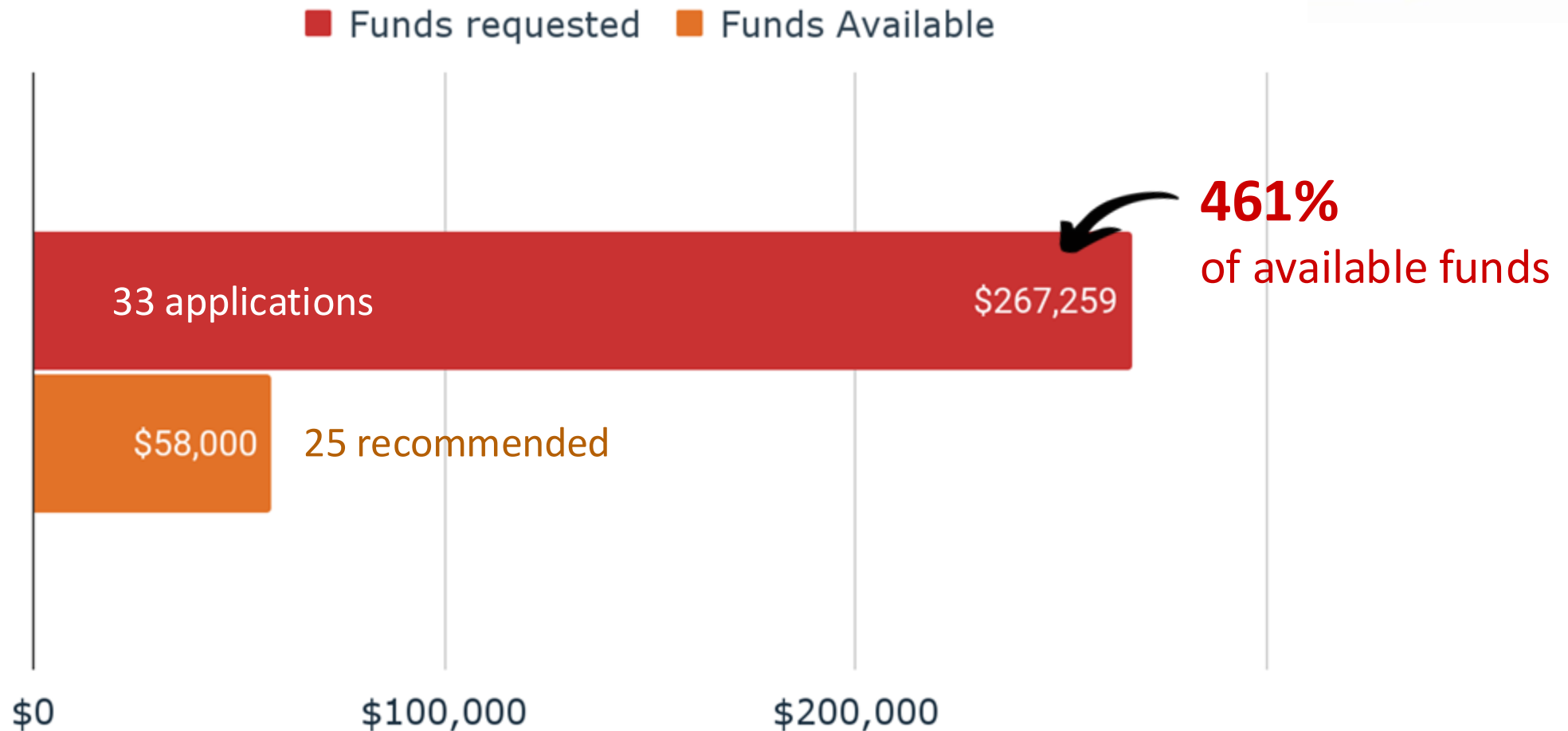
FEASIBILITY OF PARTIAL FUNDING

Holistic Scoring Approach

Funds Requested vs. Recommended

Total funds available for 2025: \$58,000

Total funds requested: \$267,259.16



Highlights

- **Good mix of beneficial initiatives, subpopulations served and areas of focus:**

SUBPOPULATIONS

- Children / Youth
- Seniors
- Parents
- People with disabilities
- Homeless / low income
- General public

FOCUS AREAS

- Arts and music
- Education
- Play
- Mental health
- Food
- Community events

- Many **partial or no-funding** recommendations
 - List of reasons provided includes individual application merits, eligibility concerns, competing requests, demonstrated need and community benefits, budget or plan not clear.
 - Applicants are invited to ask questions, attend information session for next round

	Applicant	\$ Requested	\$ Recommended
1	4th Orangeville Scouts	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
2	Art Hive Foundation	\$5,000.00	\$1,400.00
3	Bethell Hospice Foundation	\$7,500.00	\$2,600.00
4	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin & District	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00
5	Caledon Meals on Wheels	\$6,500.00	\$3,250.00
6	Children's Foundation of Guelph & Wellington	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00
7	Choices Shelter and Support Services	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00
8	Community Living Dufferin	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00
9	Dufferin Arts Council	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
10	Dufferin County OPP/Orangeville Fire	\$869.16	\$0.00
11	Dufferin Film Festival	\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00
12	Dufferin Parent Support Network	\$10,000.00	\$2,000.00
13	Engineers of Tomorrow	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
14	Fiddlehead Care Farm Inc	\$14,250.00	\$4,250.00
15	Friendship Gardens - Headwaters Health Care Centre	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
16	Lord Dufferin IODE	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
17	Montgomery Village Public School	\$10,000.00	\$1,000.00
18	Orangeville and District Horticultural Society	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00
19	Orangeville and District Seniors Centre*	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
20	Orangeville Blues and Jazz*	\$10,000.00	\$4,000.00
21	Orangeville Community Band	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
22	Orangeville Headwaters Minor Baseball Association	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
23	Pine River Institute	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
24	Princess Elizabeth Public School (School Council)	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00
25	Royal Canadian Legion Col. Fitzgerald Branch 233	\$1,500.00	\$600.00

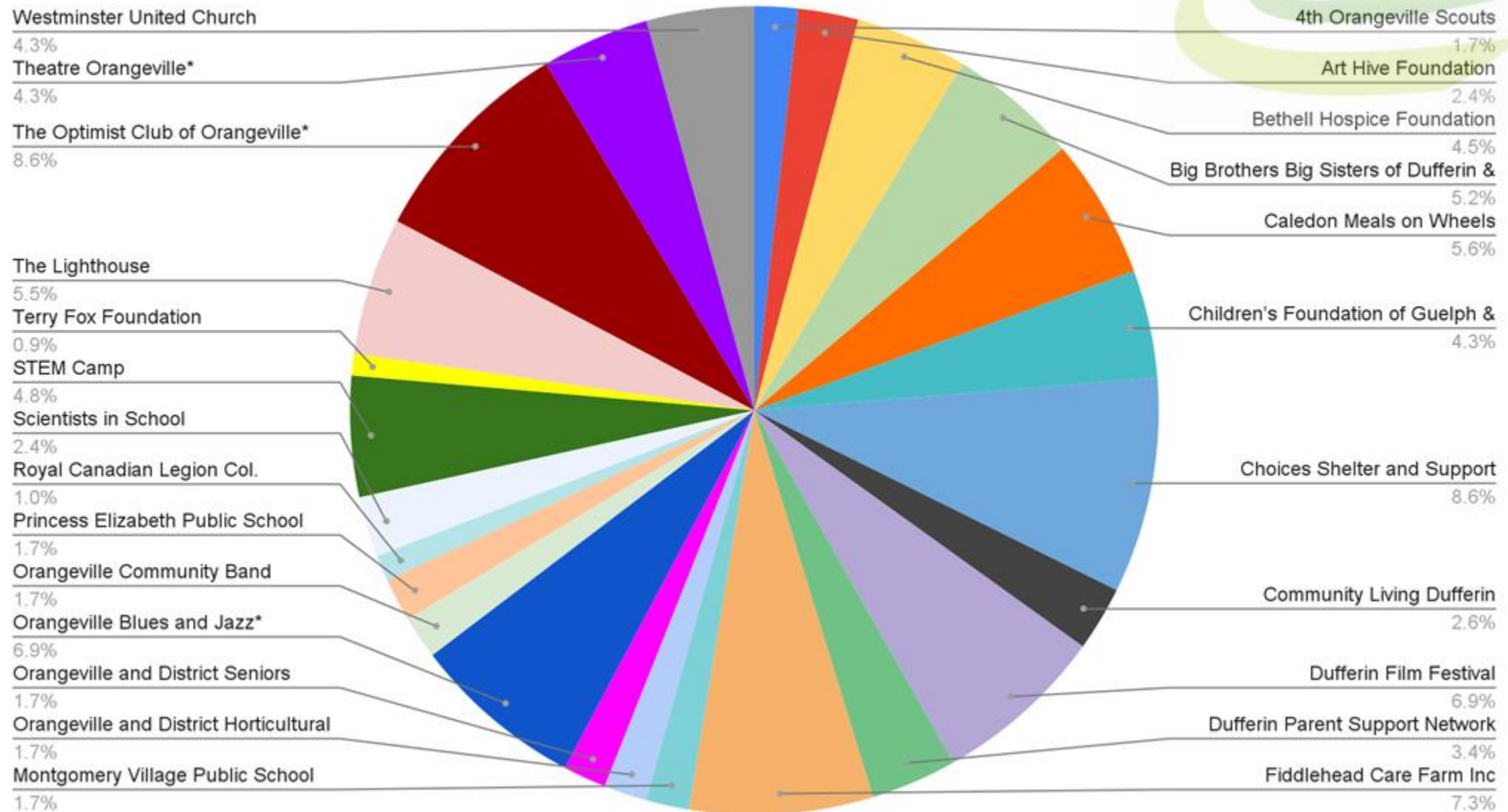


Recommended Grants

*Currently receive funds from multi-year grants or other Town support.

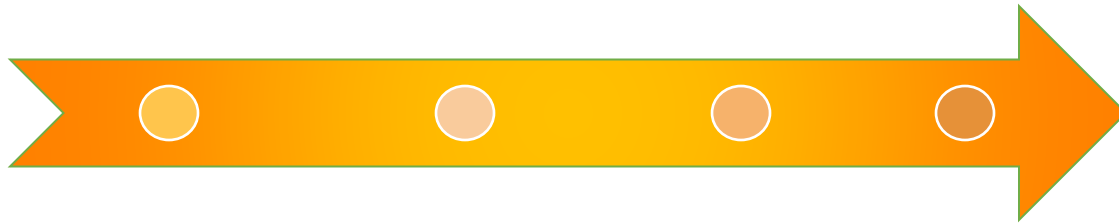
26	Scientists in School	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
27	STEM Camp	\$5,000.00	\$2,800.00
28	Terry Fox Foundation	\$500.00	\$500.00
29	The Lighthouse	\$6,240.00	\$3,200.00
30	The Optimist Club of Orangeville*	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00
31	Theatre Orangeville*	\$3,500.00	\$2,500.00
32	Twisters	\$80,000.00	\$0.00
33	Westminster United Church	\$15,000.00	\$2,500.00
Total Requested and Recommended		\$267,259.16	\$58,000.00

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Suggestions

- Encourage follow-up with applicants
- Continue offering information sessions, FAQs and open doors
- Consider adding a grant-writing workshop
- Consider offering an online form and tutorial





Thank you!



1. To the Town of Orangeville Council for entrusting this important task to us, and for providing this important funding option to support local initiatives.
2. To Cheryl and Rebecca and Town staff for their partnership and direction.
3. To the Assessment Team, for their careful deliberation and dedication to a difficult task.
4. To all of the applicants, for continuing to serve the Orangeville community.

Congratulations to the 2025 grant recipients!

Questions?

Email: action@headwaterscommunities.org